

To the Chairman and Members of the Sherburn Rural
District Council.

Gentlemen.

I have pleasure in presenting to you my report for 1909, but regret to say that in some respects it is not so favourable as the previous one, seeing that both the ordinary and the infantile death rate are considerable in excess of the 1908 report.

POPULATION.

The estimated population for 1908 was 2244, The Rural exodus between 1891 and 1901 averaged 10 per annum. The number of births in the district last year was 59 and deaths 32 giving a natural increase of 27, Deducting the rural exodus from this we get a net increase of 17. I therefore estimate the number of persons in the District in 1909 to be 2261.

BIRTH-RATE.

The of persons registered in the District during 1909 was 59. Of these 24 were males and 35 females. This gives a birth rate of 26.09 being slightly in excess of the average rate for rural districts and for the country generally, see table below:-

BIRTH RATES PER 1000 LIVING.

England and Wales	25.6
Rural England and Wales	25.6
Sherburn District.	26.09

but of the 59 births only 3 were illegitimate giving a rate of 50.8 per 1000 born. This rate has been shown a steady improvement for the last 4 years:-

districts.

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I have discussed in connection with the report

for 1931, but I regret to say that in some respects it is not

so comprehensive as the previous one, owing to the fact that

the data for the 1931-32 season have not yet been received.

As regards the 1931 report,

population.

The estimated population for 1931 was 2,200,000, the same

as the 1930 estimate of 2,200,000, but the 1931 estimate

is based on the 1931 census, which was taken in 1931.

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ILLEGITIMATE BIRTHS.RATE PER 1000 BORN.

1906	13	180
1907	7	155
1908	6	50.8
1909	3	50.8

MORTALITY.

The total number of deaths registered in the District in 1909 was 32, and 2 persons from the District died in the Scarborough Workhouse. This gives a death rate for the district 14.1 and a rate of 15 for deaths from all sources. The rate for 1908 was 11.1 and the average for the last 8 years was 11.5

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	<u>Rate per 1000 living.</u>
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Rural England & Wales	14.5
Sherburn District.	14.1

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ANNUAL RATE PER 1000 LIVING.

Disease.	<u>No of deaths.</u>		<u>Rate.</u>	
	<u>1909.</u>	<u>1908.</u>	<u>1909</u>	<u>1908.</u>
Phthisis. ...	1	1	.44	.44
Bronchitis.	3	3	1.32	1.33
Pneumonia ...	2	0	.88	.0
Cancer.	3	3	1.32	1.33
Heart disease.	2	1	.88	.44

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Mortality

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INFANTILE MORTALITY.

The number of deaths of infants under **1** year of age in 1909 was 7 (the same as the previous year) giving a death rate of 118.6 per 1000 born. This is very unsatisfactory seeing that it equals the rate for the 76 large towns where great numbers live under immeasurably worse conditions.

The average rate for Rural England & Wales in 1909 was 98. This reflects very seriously upon the District.

I firmly believe that this wastage of infantile life could be greatly reduced, if the big ground landlords would provide decent house accommodation for the labourers on their estates. Overcrowding with all its attendant evils is rife in the district and I hope the time will soon come when the various Councils will step in and see that suitable cottages are built for the labourers who are the backbone of the country, and ^{thus} shall future generations come into their just heritage of strong robust manhood and womanhood.

INFECTIOUS DISEASE.

I am pleased to say that no death from any notifiable infectious disease has occurred in the district during the past year. 8 cases of Scarlet fever have been notified and 2 of Erysipelas. all the cases were mild. The average death rate from this cause in England & Wales during 1909 was 1.12.

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I am sorry to say that the water supply at Weston is still in an unsatisfactory condition. The various samples sent for bacteriological examination have all been adversely reported upon, showing some contamination.

Should an outbreak of Enteric Fever occur in this village a grave responsibility will rest upon your Council.

I would again urge upon you the necessity of procuring a supply of water which shall be above suspicion. The general supply of water in the District seems to be abundant.

DRAINAGE.

The drainage of the District generally seems to be in a fairly satisfactory condition.

COWSHEDS, DAIRIES, ETC.

the general condition of these appear to show some improvement on the previous year, although much remains yet to be done before the ideal requirements of Public Health are satisfied.

The slaughter houses 5 in number, all private, are not visited specially at slaughtering times, but are inspected in the ordinary routine, I am not aware of any arrangements made by your council for the inspection of meat, nor do I know of any special Certificate in meat inspection being held by your sanitary inspector, No report of any tuberculous meat has been given to me.

WORKSHOPS ETC.

The few workshops in your District are in satisfactory condition.

In conclusion may I thank you for the courteous consideration you have extended to me during the past year, and express the hope that the harmonious relations which we have established in the past, may be continued in future years.

I am, Gentlemen,

R
Roseville,
Sherburn,
February 1910.

Your obedient Servant,
(Sd) Harold T. Hollings.

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(24) Harold T. Bellinger.

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